

The Daily Courant.

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From the Amsterdam Gazette, dated June 19.

The Journal of the Imperialists encamp'd at Gavardo.

TH E 18th of May. The bad Weather has retarded the March of the Troops that are coming about the Lake of Garda. To day General Bibra retir'd with his Body of Forces to Gavardo. The Prussian Troops that have pass'd the Lake, are posted on the Left at Villa-Nova, there to wait the Arrival of the Cavalry. Some Parties are sent out.

The 19th. This Morning Prince Eugene came hither from Salo, to view our Camp. We were before inform'd, that the Enemy having Notice of the Motion of General Bibra, were encamp'd at Guidizole; that they had a Body of Spaniards at Navi, and that it appear'd by their Preparations, they would not only endeavour to hinder our being joyn'd by our Horse by the Valley of Sabbia, but would attack us before our Horse arriv'd. Prince Eugene went to view the Posture of the Enemy, and the Passages by which they might attack us, in Order to post Troops there. This Night Collonel Zumjungen was detach'd with 1500 Foot, on some Expedition.

The 20th. Advice came from Collonel Zumjungen, that he had attack'd the Enemy posted at Offetto, with so great Vigour, that he carried that Post in a little Time, taking Prisoners, 199 Men and about 30 Officers, among the latter 1 Lieutenant Collonel and 5 Captains. It was no easy Matter to withhold the Imperial and Prussian Troops from putting them to the Sword: One of our Captains had his Arm broken, and 1 Grenadier was kill'd; both of the Regiment of Wurtemberg. His Highness went and view'd the Post of Offetto, and plac'd 500 Men in it: The Enemy had advanc'd to defend it, but perceiving it was too late they retir'd.

The 21st. The 500 Men in Offetto were reliev'd by a like Number. Major Boinenburg with 200 Men was sent towards Sabia, to post himself there, and cover the Passage of the Cavalry. The taking of Offetto so alarm'd the Enemy on that side, that the Duke of Vendome sent them 1000 Horse believing we were going to attack them. They are intrenching themselves more strongly at Navi.

The 22d. We had Information, that new Troops were arriv'd in the Enemy's Camp; and that they had caus'd 500 Men of the 1000 they had detach'd to return.

The 23d. At Break of Day the Enemy's whole Army appear'd, and were posting themselves on the rising Grounds and Hills about our Camp; Whereupon Prince Eugene detach'd the Imperial and Prussian Foot, the Regiment of Dragoons of Zinzendorf, and 200 Horse of the Regiment of Visconti, under Lieutenant General Palavicini; with Order to post themselves on the Eminencies from Gavardo to Soprazocco, in order to preserve the Communication with Salo, whither a Reinforcement of 300 Men was sent, as was also Collonel Zumjungen to command there. When these were in full March, we perceiv'd all the Enemy's Grenadiers and Horse coming down the Hills apace, (the Horse on a Trot) to go towards the Eminencies our Infantry were to take Possession of; but finding our Troops were too quick for them they stop'd at no great Distance from us with all

their Forces, and began to fire upon us with some Pieces of Cannon, which we answer'd. This firing lasted pretty long: We had but 3 or 4 Men kill'd or wounded: And thus we stood in Battallia within Musquet-shot of each other. In the Afternoon the Enemy's Horse retir'd, and we observ'd they had mark'd out a Camp a Quarter of a League behind the Eminencies on which their Foot had posted themselves. Thereupon our Troops were order'd back into their former Camp; only 100 Men of each Regiment were left on the rising Grounds where we had stood drawn up in Battallia. The hasty Retreat of the Enemy shew'd they did not believe we would have dar'd to stand an Engagement with them; but we were fully determin'd upon it, notwithstanding they had all their Forces, and that we were not join'd either by our Horse, or the Palatin Troops, or by our Recruits. The Disorders the French commit in the Country, plundering and destroying all, surpass all Belief. Our Grenadiers have brought in 10 of the Enemy Prisoners; and 19 Deserters are come over to us with their Mounting.

The 24th. On Advice the Enemy were marching towards Salo, Lieutenant Collonel St. Amour, with 90 Horse and 40 Hussars, was detach'd to get certain Intelligence of it; but meeting nothing, he went as far as Drugulo, where the Enemy had encamp'd, with design to attack their advanc'd Guards. In the Way, he met the Baggage which was going to the Enemy from Castiglione, Calcinato, &c. under a Guard of 80 Horse: He detach'd against them 20 Horse and the Hussars, who fell in among the Enemy: He posted 19 Horse to cover his Retreat, and with the rest he advanc'd against the Enemy, making a Signal as tho' he was follow'd by a greater Number of Troops; which putting the Enemy into a Fright, they fled, but 50 of them were kill'd besides those that were with the Baggage; which done, our Men took a great Booty: But the Enemy having Notice of it, detach'd 1000 Men to cut our Men off, so that they were oblig'd to quit almost all their Booty, and to re-ite by Dezenaro to the Lake of Garda, whence they happily return'd at Night to the Camp, having lost but 1 Man who was kill'd. They brought with them of the Booty they had taken 16 Mules or Horses loaded. 500 Recruits for the Regiment of Harach arriv'd at Salo; and Lieutenant Collonel Loccatelli arriv'd with 180 Horse, of the Cavalry that were coming to join us from the Mountains.

The 25th. The Recruits for the Regiment of Harach were order'd to come hither. About Noon, the Enemy began agen to fire upon our Infantry with 10 Pieces of Cannon; but did little Hurt, killing only 2 Men and wounding 4 or 5, because as soon as we saw the Enemy getting ready their Batteries, our Men were order'd to march down to the Bottom of the Hills. We fir'd likewise on the Enemy from our Batteries, with some Execution. Above 600 Recruits arriv'd at Salo, for the Regiment of Zumjungen.

The 26th. Deserters reported our Cannon did Execution Yesterday on the Enemy; and upon our continuing to fire to day the Enemy left off. Count Leiningen, General of the Horse arriv'd in the Camp; the Cavalry are following him.

The 27th. All the Imperial and Prussian Horse arriv'd in the Camp. The former are posted on the other side of the Chiesa, and the latter on this side;

the 200 Horse commanded by Collonel Palavicini have joyn'd the former. The Enemy do not fire from their Cannon, and we have made but a few Discharges from ours. Towards Evening came Advice, that the Spanish Troops that were near Navi, are decamp'd from thence to march towards Palazuolo. 400 Recruits for the Regiment of Konigseck, are arriv'd in the Camp.

From the Imperial Camp at Gavardo, June 3. The Armies continue in the same Posts. The Enemy have sent for more Cannon from Castiglione, to fire from several places upon our Camp; and render the Passages the harder to keep. The 31st of last Month, the Enemy fell with 300 Horse on our Foragers; but were so well receiv'd, that they were forc'd to retire, with the Loss of 60 Men kill'd, and of 15 Horses taken. The 1st Instant, Prince Alexander of Witemberg, with 200 Grenadiers, and 1000 Foot Imperialists; 50 Grenadiers, and 200 Foot Prussians; and 4 Pieces of Cannon, attack'd a Cassine in the possession of the Enemy on the Naviglio, and cut in pieces 4 Companies of Grenadiers all but 30 Men. The Enemy having notice of it, immediately sent some Battalions to the Naviglio, against whom our Men advanc'd, and fought them till the next Morning; when they retir'd, abandoning the Cassine, which is commanded by the Enemy's Cannon. 'Tis reported the Enemy lost 800 Men on this Occasion. We had 80 kill'd, and 286 wounded. At break of Day the Enemy re-enter'd the Cassine, and began to throw up an Intrenchment round it. They are also making a Line from the Naviglio to the Chiesa, and are forming a small Army there.

From the Brussels Gazette, dated June 16.

From the Camp at Moscolino, June 9. The 29th of last Month, the Grand Prior of France went with 1000 Horse, and 12 Companies of Grenadiers to view the Roads about Brescia; and by his Order Monsieur de St. Fremont caus'd a Bridge of Boats to be laid in his Absence over the Chiesa, below the Left of our 2d Line, which Bridge was finish'd the 30th with a Work at the Head to cover it. The 31st the Enemy were in Motion in their Camp, and at 6 a Clock it appear'd they were going to Forrage towards Govioh. The Count d' Ulez with 500 Horse pass'd the Chiesa over a Bridge of Boats, and the Naviglio over one of Stone: His Vanguard consisting of 200 Horse fell upon the Brandenburg Foragers, kill'd 20 of them, took 30 Prisoners, and 50 or 60 Horses, with no more Loss on our side than of 8 Horse or Dragoons. The 30th the Grand Prior sent over the great Naviglio 4 Companies of Grenadiers to possess themselves of a large Cassine, and thereby to cut off from the Enemy the Passage between that Cassine and the Foot of the Hill that exrands from Gavardo to Guion, in the Plain of Brescia. Prince Eugene of Savoy perceiving of what Importance it was to him, not to suffer such a Post within half Cannon-shot of his Right on the side of Gavardo, caus'd that Cassine to be attack'd yesterday at 11 a Clock at Night by 3000 Foot, supported by 1000 Horse, with 2 Pieces of Cannon. Our 4 Companies of Grenadiers were supported by the Brigade of the Regiment de la Marine, that of Perche, 100 Dragoons on Foot, and 300 Horse. The Action was very vigorous on both sides, and lasted above 3 Hours. The Enemy enter'd the Cassine twice, and were as often beaten out again; in a 3d Effort they made themselves Masters of the Court-yard, the Dove-house, and the Barn; so that Monsieur de Narbone, Lieutenant-Colonel of the Regiment of Mirabeau, who commanded our Grenadiers, was oblig'd to retire with his Men into the Body of the Cassine (or House it self) and there made so obstinate a Defence, that he gave time to Monsieur de St. Fremont with 400 Dragoons to arrive on the Naviglio; which Dragoons made so seasonable a Fire on the Rear of the Column that was attacking the Cassine on the Right, that at break of Day they oblig'd the Enemy to retire, leaving 220 Men dead on the Ground, besides others kill'd, which with the wounded they carried off in Waggon; and we are told by Prisoners and Deserters that in this Attack, they had above 800 Men

disabled for any further Service. Of the 4 Companies of Grenadiers commanded by Monsieur de Narbone, 80 were kill'd or wounded; and of the Battalions of the Regiment de la Marine which supported them, 54 Soldiers were kill'd, and 82 wounded, with 6 Captains, 6 Lieutenants, and 1 Adjutant; and with those of the other Troops, we had in all about 300 Men kill'd or wounded. The Grand Prior being inform'd the Enemy were all return'd into their Camp, caus'd a strong Detachment to be put into that Cassine, with Workmen to intrench it, and Forces sufficient on the side of the Naviglio to support them.

From the Camp at Elft, June 16. The German Troops are not yet come up; so that after 15 days stay in this Camp we find our selves still without any others than what are in the Pay of England and Holland, and the Princes and States which were to furnish the Horses and Carriages to bring up the heavy Cannon and Ammunition for a Siege. Excusing themselves and al'edging they cannot get ready the Number requir'd in less than six Weeks Time; and the Deputies of the States on the Maese being at the same time very pressing for 30 Battalions to be sent to reinforce their Army; which would entirely disable us from doing any thing here, tho' every thing else were in a Readyness. His Grace the Duke of Marlborough has with the Advice of the Generals resolv'd to take this Opportunity to march back towards the Maese, with a sufficient Body of Troops, to put a stop to the Progress which the Enemy by their Superiority are making on that side; his Grace intending to leave a competent Number of Troops to reinforce the Prince of Baden's Army, together with a sufficient Number of Troops for the Security of Treves, and to begin his March to morrow Morning, the heavy Baggage having already began to March this Evening.

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Maastricht, June 16. The Enemy lay still 4 days after they had taken Huy, and made a Feint of sending a Detachment towards Germany, and of sending back their Artillery to Namur; but on a sudden countermanded both, and yesterday came down within 2 Leagues of Liege. The Elector of Bavaria has taken up his Quarters at Fontaine and Lechey, and the Marshal de Villeroy has his at Horion. Whither the Cathedral Chapter and Town of Liege sent 6 Deputies yesterday to capitulate for them, while the Citadel prepares to make a vigorous Defence. To day the Enemy made a Motion, to begin the Attack of the Citadel. Our Army still lies in sight of this place.

London, June 12.

The Earl of Sunderland is appointed by Her Majesty to go to Vienna, to pass the Compliment of Condolance and Congratulation, &c.

Plymouth, June 8. To day came in her Majesty's Ship the Worcester with the John and Susanna of and from Bristol, bound for Barbadoes, which she retook from the French. Yesterday came in from the Westward the Triumph, Sir George Bing Vice-Admiral of the Blue, Royal Ann, Sir John Jennings Rear-Admiral of the Blue, Albemarle, Summerer, Nassau Oak, Monmouth, Russel, Resolution, Dunkirk, Le-Firm Windsor, Falkon Fireship, and two Tenders. A Dutch Privateer call'd the Pearl of Flushing, with Prize, and a retaken Ship, viz. the America of Flushing from Curafo, the other a French Ship of 20 Guus, 300 Tuns, with Salt and Brandy from Alicat. This Day came in the Chatham from Falmouth Wind S. W.

At the Theatre Royal in Drury-Lane, to Day being Tuesday the 12th of June, will be Reviv'd, a Comedy, (not acted these Twenty Years) call'd, The Royal Merchant, or Beggar's Bush: The part of the Merchant to be perform'd by Mr. Wilks for his own Benefit: With several new Entertainments of Singing in English and Italian, by Mrs. Tofts; and Dancing by Monsieur Cherrier, Mrs. Miss and others.

At the Theatre Royal in Drury-Lane, on Thursday next being the 14th of June, will be Reviv'd, a Comedy, call'd, Sir Salomon Single; or, The Caution Coxcomb, the Part of Betty to be perform'd by Mrs. Montfort; and an Epilogue spoken by her upon her first appearance on this Stage. For the Advantage of Mr. Elscourt, with comical Songs and Dances.